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SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

Further to the Information Disclosure Statements filed June 8, 2006 and August 15, 2005, and in accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, Applicants hereby bring to the attention of the Examiner the following commonly assigned and co-pending U.S. Patent Application:

U.S. Application No. 10/598,371 to Nagano et al., entitled "Fluorescent Probes", which is the National Stage of PCT/JP05/003569, filed March 3, 2005, which published as WO 2005/085811.

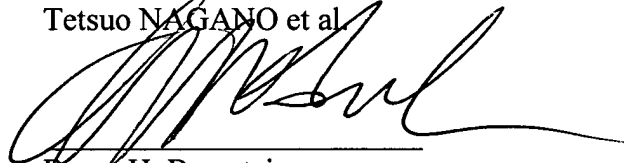
Further to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's decision to partially waive the requirements under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98 (a)(2)(i) and (iii), a copy of the U.S. Patent Application cited above is not enclosed herewith. However, if a copy is needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

Applicants note that while this Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed more than three months from the filing date, Applicants have not received an action on the merits from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Accordingly, consideration of the enclosed document is required under 37 C.F.R. 1.97(b)(3).

However, if an action on the merits has been mailed prior to the filing date of this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, Applicants hereby authorize the charging of any required fees necessary for consideration of the documents cited herein to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Any comments or questions concerning this application can be directed to the undersigned at the telephone number given below.

Respectfully submitted,
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